(b) if so, the details thereof and what other steps Government propose to take regarding this plant?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF STEEL (SHRI BRAJ KISHORE TRIPATHY): (a) and (b) The Revival package being considered by Industrial Development Bank of India (IDBI) does not envisage any investment from the Government of Russia. The implementation of the package is awaiting the approval of Board for Industrial and Financial Restructuring (BIFR).

Setting up of Steel Plants in Orissa

466. SHRI SURENDRA LATH: Will the Minister of STEEL be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is a vast scope to set up new Steel Plants in Orissa;

(b) if so, what are the proposals under the consideration of Government; and

(c) the details of places identified for the establishment of new steel plants in the State?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF STEEL (SHRI BRAJ KISHORE TRIPATHY): (a) and (b) In the New Industrial Policy announced in the July 1991, steel industry has been delicensed and removed from the list of industries reserved for the public sector subject to certain locational restrictions. No industrial licence is, therefore, required for setting up of iron and steel plants and the entrepreneurs are free to set up such plants anywhere in the country except in the restricted locations based on their commercial judgement.

Pending proposals of Chhattisgarh

†467. SHRI MOTILAL VORA: Will the Minister of YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS be pleased to state:

(a) the proposal received till date from Sports and Youth Welfare Department of Chhattisgarh Government and pending before Central Government for approval;

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†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.

(b) the reasons for not according approval to these proposals, so far; and

(c) by when all the pending proposals would be accorded approval?

THE MINISTER OF YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS (SHRI VIKRAM VERMA): (a) to (c) 12 proposals for promotion of sports have been received from the Chhattisgarh Government till date, out of which 7 have been approved and 4 were not found viable. One proposal under the Scheme of promotion of Sports & Games in Schools has not been considered for want of Utilisation Certificate in respect of grant released under the same scheme during 2001-2002. The State Government has been requested to furnish the same to facilitate early consideration of the new proposal.

Development of Youths

468. SHRI JANARDHANA POOJARY: Will the Minister of YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that at the recently held Conference of Governors it was stressed that there should be meaningful schemes for developing the full potential of youth, a forward looking National Youth Policy and implementation of comprehensive economic development programmes;

(b) if so, the details thereof and the reaction of Government thereto;

(c) the details of the youth centric programmes and schemes, the allocations made and results achieved during the last three years; and

(d) the details of training and employment generation programmes evolved for the rural and urban youth?

THE MINISTER OF YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS (SHRI VIKRAM VERMA): (a) and (b) The proceedings of the Governors Conference have not yet been received. Action as appropriate would be initiated on receipt of the same.

(c) A Statement is attached (*See* below).

(d) Under its Scheme of Financial Assistance for Promotion of Youth Activities and Training, the Ministry provides grants to NGOs/State and